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**EPA Cooperative Agreement Grant for Development of Enhanced Performance Measures  
for Enforcement and Compliance Assurance Programs  
Second Quarter, FY 2001 Report**

**I. Introduction**

This program element involves one-to-one personalized technical assistance for small businesses in Texas. An independent environmental consultant determines compliance with all applicable federal and state air, water, and waste regulations by using a compliance checklist specific for that industry. The contractor also provides technical assistance in determining compliance and recommending solutions to identified environmental problems. In addition, the contractor identifies opportunities for pollution prevention measures the businesses could implement to reduce waste and save money. A follow-up site visit will provide compliance data to compare against baseline data and thus determine increases in compliance and changes in behavior.

**II Overall Progress and Results**

During the second quarter FY 2001 there were no compliance/pollution prevention site visits documented because the new site visit contractor had only begun making compliance/pollution prevention site visits during the last month of this reporting period. Documentation of site visits conducted during the second quarter of FY 2001 will be reported on the third quarter report.

**III Related Issues/Current Problems and Favorable or Unusual Developments**

During the second quarter of FY 2001, a marketing plan began to expand the site visit program through a direct mailing of site visit flyers to approximately 12,000 small business in the Houston and San Antonio regions of the state.

**IV Conclusions/Projected Work for Next Quarter**

During the next quarter it is anticipated that a direct mailing of site visit flyers will be done for the remaining regions in Texas to expand interest in the site visit program.